# NOTE ON WALL TFILS WHY AGERS

I asked my wife to settle with me t she refused to do so. I have lived if hell all my life,"

These words, written in pencil on the walls of the kitchen in his me today explained to the authorihe the motive of Jack Agers, fortythree, for shooting and killing his life yesterday in Capital Heights,

Agers seized a shotgun and fired charge into her back, then selzed a or and, in the presence of his sixteen-year-old son, Gus Agers, slashed his own throat. Both Agers and his wife were rushed to the Casualty Hospital in automobiles. Mrs. Agers died at 6:35 o'clock last evening. Her hus-

band will recover. Pollowing the shooting, young Agers sho had left his home during the quar rd, ran back to the house and found his mother lying in a pool of blood on the

With the assistance of a neighbor they

the woods, but he was finally captured day.

by Bailiff George Lee.
"I wonder what they'll do—hang him?" Gus Ayers, the son, asked a Times reporter today as he sat with streaming ayes in the office of Judge Weast, where he had gone to get the key to his now desolate home.

Execriates Father. They ought to do something with him," he continued. "He isn't as crasy as he tried to make out. He was al-ways mistreating my mother. Just the other day he wanted to throw her

much, he said, 'she'd just bounce up sind down like a rubber ball.'

When asked what he intended to do younger Ager said, "I don't know, exactly. Mother asked Mrz. R. C. Patcliffe to take care of me. I guess I'll stay in Capital Heights. I won't go back to school, I'm going to work. I'll have to, now.

#### AMUSEMENTS

ATIONAL Tonight, 8:20. Chauncey OLCOTTUPON

By RACHEL CROTHERS. NEXT WEEK-ETHEL BARRINGRE, In 'THE LADT OF THE CAMELLIAR' PHILADELPHIA

ORCHESTRA 4:30

Leopold Stokowski, Conductor, jues Thiband—Violini Thurs., 4:30. FRANCES Ticketst ALDA

\$2.50, \$2.00, \$1.50, \$1.00, 75c, at Prima Donna Met, Opers T. Arthur Smith's,

Co., Assisted by Frank La Forge and Wynne Pyle, Pinnist, 1306 G St. National Theater FRIDAY, DEC. MELBA

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Mets. 100 GARDEN Free 170 TODAY AND TOMORROW Edna Goodrich in

"AMERICAN MAID"

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G. Bernard Shaw's THE ADMIRABLE BASHVILLE

THE ADMIRABLE DERFORMANCE PROSE, SI, Se, and Sec. GAYETY Burlesque Harry K. Morton and Zella ell in Burlesque Review Nest West-BOWERT BURLESQUERS

#### Warrant for Kaiser Is Issued by Virginia Justice; Carries Reward

ROANOKE, Va., Dec. 10 .- In cost of living, here is an offer of a reward that should appeal. A warrant has been issued by Justice of the Peace Charles L. Zoll, of Breed Run district, Loudour county, for the arrest of one William Hohenzollern, alias Kaiser Wilhelm.

William is charged specifically with being an outlaw, and between July, 1914, and November, 1917, being guilty of murder, assault, and arson.

The reward will be three bar rels of corn, five bushels of potatoes, and a country ham to weigh not less than twenty-one pounds.

### UNMUZZLED DOGS **CLAIM 2 VICTIMS** ON D. C. STREETS

ing the dog muzzle law. By consent the His son, who had followed him, case of Samuel Belin, whose dog, it is closed in and attempted to wrest the alleged, bit a sixty-year-old man yearcapon from his hand. Agers fied to terday, was postponed until next Mon-

who runs a tailor shop at 302 Sixth street northwest, was bitten on the hand by a dog owned by Beout of the window. 'It won't hurt her iin while he was passing Belin's meat much, he said, 'she'd just bounce up and delicatessen store at 610 Louisiana avenue northwest. After having his hand treated at the Emergency Hospital, Rudolph was able to return give validity to international decree to his work today.

passing Belin's store, the dog suddenI'll have to, now.
In an ante-mortem statement, according to Motorcycle Policeman
Marks, Mrs. Agers declared that her
husband shot her and that she belived his mind to be deraffeed.

Eather mustle and that he thought
him safe and unable to bite.

#### PHONE CO. ASSAILS DEPRECIATION FIGURES

amount of money to be se aside each year by the Chesapeake and Potemac Telephone Company for depreciation of its property and

that the method used by the valuation experts of the commission in finding depreciation were theoretical and at variance with the general practice of

the Bell Telephone Company.
Dr. Edward W. Bemis, expert of the commission, and T. V. Sylvan, of the company, were the principal wit-nesses. Robert V. Maryes, general counsel of the Bell Company, appeared

## MANY MADE HOMELESS

#### "DRY" LAW DECISIONS RENDERED IN 2 STATES

60c for 1 month \$1.80 for 3 months

## CONTROL OF SEAS BY WORLD NAVY FAVORED BY U.

By DAVID LAWRENCE.

(Continued from First Page.) alieve that it will be one of the empensations for the terrible tragessels will continue, but among the policies that will be approved in the ures. wace conference that will follow war there should be incorporated a pronavy to enforce international de-

posed of separate naval establish-ment of all nations, such nation indicentribute in proportion to its the and population, or upon some to insure that no nation can y challenge the decrees of the international court.

U. S. Ready to Centribute.

o such a police of the sea this course of the such as the sea this course. should contribute in proportion to its igh international court.

such a police of the sea this country will be ready to make full ontribution, and to that end the expansion that now crowds all the old and new shipbuilding resources will With the assistance of a neighbor they carried her to a nearby house. The entitle neighborhood was aroused.

Pulls Gun on Pursuers.

Ager ran from the scene carrying the shotgen and a suitcase. He was bleeding from the gasp in his peck. Citisons in filtercepted him at Dix street, but he shotgen.

Louis Gilman today forfeited is collaborating from the gasp in his peck. Citisons in filtercepted him at Dix street, but he shotgen.

There were some wide movements and new shipbuilding resources will not not not please this country in a position in the late forance, especially in the sone of that stock down elseven points to country. It would be a lasting called a mitry if, when this war ends, there should linger as a burden upon a lateral in Police Court when he failed people already heavily taxed by ware, ling the dog mustle law. By consent the construction.

"This country will, no doubt, take its proper place in bringing about such provisions in the peace treaties as will never again constrain any nation to adapt its naval program to A dog belonging to Gliman, forty-three years old, who keeps a grocery store at 1315 V street northwest, bit Nettie Wilson, a sixteen-year-old negro girl, of 1340 V street northwest. The girl was taken to Freedman's Hospital and later to her home.

Joseph Rudoiph, sixty years old, who runs a tailor shop at 302 Sigth

Serve "Parliament of Man." "An international navy, on the contrary, will make possible such naval development as each nation deems fitting for its own people. It will also serve the 'parliament of man' by pro-viding a naval force ample enough to

give validity to international decrees and strong enough to keep inviolate the peace of the world."

The above paragraph represents a significant advance toward a world brganisation. When the President first mentioned the possibility of an international combination which should by force insure the peace of the world, criticism came from Republican as well as Democratic quarters, notwithstanding that former President Taft was sponsor for the movement. The United States was still neutral and had not dreamed then of being involved in a world war.

William Jennings Bryan argued that such a course would be unconstitutional and objections of various kinds were entered which indicated that the subject was still regarded as

academic and remote of accomplisment. Will Interest German Liberals. Secretary Daniels has said will be read with interest by the liberals in Germany who have argued that the reduction in armies never could be approved by the cantral powers unless there were some assurance that naval building would cease.

Navalism has been held up by Germany as a feasileation to the columns of the col

many as an inspiration to jingoism almost as much as the opponents of Germany have condemned militarism England's efforts to obtain Ger-England's efforts to obtain Ger-many's consent to a naval holiday, and America's willingness to enter into an agreement looking toward the same end as expressed in a resolu-tion by the American Congress approving Winston Churchill's sug-gestion, furnish incontrovertible evi-

BY JERSEY SHOKE FIRE

2.2.50, 2.51.50, 21.

Sents on sale at Mrs. Greene's of fee in Droop's.
13th and G.

BELASCO At 2.20, 50 to 21.00.

WILLIAM PAVERSHAM Practice today as the result of a fire that swept today as the result of a fire that s

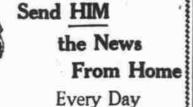
#### HARRY LAUDER RAISES \$23,000 FOR HALIFAX

It is not legal to have even a small quantity of whiskey in your possession in Idaho the Supreme Court ruled today.

North Carolina's law requiring common carriers to keep a permanent record of all persons to whom liquor was shipped today was declared constitutional by the Supreme Court.

BOSTON. Dec. 16.—Harry Lauder led a spontaneous subscription to a relief fund for the victims of the Halifax disaster with a contribution of \$1,000 at the Boston Athletic Club last evening. He made an address which prompted scores of members of the club to follow his lead in donating to the fund which soon totaled \$23,000.

It Is Easy to



Men in camp and at the front want news from "back home." The Washington TIMES will give them all the news of Washington and all the world. Just send HIS name and camp address, together with-

\$3.50 for 6 months \$7.00 for 12 months

CIRCULATION MANAGER of the WASHINGTON TIMES.

#### WALL ST. MARKET PRICE MOVEMENTS NARROW AS MARKET OPENS.

Levels Slightly Above Those of Saturday-Steel Common Shows Advance - Bethlehem B. Corn Products, and Shipping Shares

NEW YORK, Dec. 10 .- Price move sents were narrow during the first fifteen minutes of trading on the sly of war? The necessity for naval Stock Exchange today, with price slightly above Saturday's final fig-Steel common was traded in at

87% to 87% in the first few minutes, ision guaranteeing an international against 86% at the closs Saturday Bethlehem Steel B rose % to 74% with the next sale at 74, and frac tional gains were recorded in Corn Products, Republic Iron and Steel and the shipping shares.

> nicott ½ to 31½. Liberty 3½'s were traded in at from 98.50 to 98.78, and the 4's sold at 97.50. There were some wide movements in the late forenoon, especially in the tobacco issues. Pressure against American Tobacco forced the price

There was active trading in Marine preferred, which rose 1% to 93%, while the common advanced % to Va Car Cm. 321/2 321/2 391/6 Wabash pf A 39% 391/2

trong.
Rails reacted slightly.
Money toaning was at 5% per cent Alaska G M. 216 216 1716 Allis-Chal -- 1716 1716 1716 Am Ag Chem 78 78 78 73 Am Beet Sug 73 73 Am Can... 341/2 34 Amer Can pf. 971/4 97 971/2 64% A C & Fdy .. 65% A C & F mf. 102% 102% 102% 241/2 Am Cot Oil. 24% 24% Am Lin pfd. 71.4 70 71.4 Amer. Smelt. 6's.

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Am. T. & T. cv. 44's.

Am. Tob. 6's.

Atch. gen. 4's.

Atch. cv. 4's (1980).

Atc. L. cons. 4's.

Atc. L. cons. 4's.

Balto. & Ohio 4's.

Balto. & Ohio cv. 4's's.

Balto. & Ohio cv. 4's's. 71% Am Smalting 73% 72% 72% 531/2 A Steel Fdy. 54 Am Tel & T. 1041/2 1033/2

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43 43 Cent. of Ga. cons. 5's...

Cent. Pac. lata...

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Ches. & Ohio cv. 4\(\frac{1}{2}\)'s...

Chi., B. & Q. joint 4's...

Chi., B. & P. gen. 4's...

Chi., M. & St. P. cv. 5s...

Chi., M. & St. P. cv. 5s...

Chi., M. & St. P. gen. 4\(\frac{1}{2}\)'s...

Chi., R. I. & P. R. ref. 4's.

Con. Gas. Co. cv. 6's... 1

Den. & R. Gr. cons. 4's...

Con. Gas. Co. cv. 6's... 1

Den. & R. Gr. cons. 4's...

Denv. & Rio Gr. ref. 5's...

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Distillers Securities 5's... AtG&WI pf. 58% 58% 53% Bald Loco... 54% 53% 48 Balt & Ohio. 48% 47% Beth Steel -- 741/2 90 90 Distillers Securities 5's. Dom. of Can. 5's (1931). Eris cv. 4's, series "B"... Beth Stl pf. 90 73% Beth Stl B., 75 Beth S pf cts 981/2 98 Brook R T.. 40% 39% Brunswick ... Butte & Sup 16% 16½ 16½ Inter. Metro. 4½'s. 11% Cal Petrol ..

Butte & Sup 16% 16½ 16½ Inter-Metro. 4%'s

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Ohio Copper.
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# OF PRESIDENT IS IN

John Singer Sargent's portrait of President Wilson, which has just been completed, was put on display today at the Corcoran Gallery of Art for a period of thirty days.

The portrait will be on exhibit during the usual open hours of the art gallery, and the public is invited to inspect it. This is made possible through the courtesy of the National Gallery of Dublic Island who was in the public transfer of the National Gallery of Dublic Island who was in the property of the National Gallery of Dublic Island who was Gallery of Dublin, Ireland, who comnissioned Sargent to paint the portrait.
Shortly thereafter Sir Hugh
Suropean

Shortly thereafter Sir Hugh Lane European war, Mr. Sargent offered to paint a picture by commission of the highest bidder, and to donate the the highest bidder, and to donate the purchase price to the Red Cross. The late Sir Hugh Lane was the highest bidder, buying the proposed picture for the sum of \$50,000.

Shortly thereafter Sir Hugh Lane visited America, and on his return journey to England went down on the Lusitania. Under the terms of

his will all his works of art were be queathed to the National Gallery o Dublin, and this picture became the

property of that institution.

When the directors were called on to decide on a subject for the picture, they decided on a portrait of President Wilson.

#### SUPREME COURT FREES MAN WHO HAD LIQUOR

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Dec. 10.—
Supreme Court Justice Rowland
Davis has handed down a decision
freeing Antonio Delessandro, sentenced
to pay a fine of \$50 and spend fiftynine days in jail for taking liquor
nine days in jail for taking liquor
than a bushel basis, and the food administration is urging the small rethat the person so accused has grand jury rights and the case cannot be disposed of by a lower court. It has been the practice to try these cases before a justice of the peace or po-lice judge. This procedure is now upest, increasing the labors of District Attorneys and grand juries in dry parts of the State.

SUIT FOR RECEIVER ENDED. The suit of James A. Gibson against Claude L. Burrows and the other of-ficers of the Mt. Pleasant Garage Company for the appointment of a receiver for the company and an or-der to enjoin them from conducting its affairs, was dismissed by Justice Siddons today.

THE LOCAL MARKET SEC. WILSON AGAIN TODAY'S SESSION OF LOCAL

EXCHANGE DULL Demand Light, With Few Change in General Price Levels-Bond List Entirly Inactive-Chapin Sacks and Capital Traction Only Issues Sold.

Apparently there was small accumisation of orders over the week-end by members of the Washington Stock Exchangs. Today's session was dult, and the demand was light.

There were however, few changes in general price levels. The bond list was entirely neglected. Twenty shares of Chapin-Sacks stock in two blocks sold at 150, and two shares of Capital Traction brought 30%. These were the only sales recorded.

Frank Addison, treasurer of the Home Savings Bank will address the slementary class on banking of the Washington Institute of Banking at the headquarters, 1412 F street northrest, tonight.
This lecture and others are open

to all persons interested in the ba ing business, and particularly prospective bank employes.

TODAY'S SALES.

Chapin Sacks, 108150, 108150. After call: Capital Traction, 2000%. LOCAL BOND MARKET.

GOVERNMENT BONDS.

U. S. Rag. 2's...
U. S. Coupon 2's...
U. S. Rag. 3's...
U. S. Coupon 5's...
U. S. Coupon 6's...
U. S. Conpon 4's...
Liberty Loan 3'%'s... 98.50 Washington Gas 5's.... 98 RAILROAD BONDS. Cap. Tract. R. R. S's... 98½ Wash. Ry. & Elsc. 4's. 72 Wash., Alex. & Mt. V. S's... MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.

MISCELLANEOUS BONDS
Potomac Elec. cons. 5's 94
Potomac Elec. Lt. 8's....
Pot. Elec. Fower 6's.. 99
Amer. Tel & Tel. 4's... 81%
Am. Tel. & Teleg. 445's... 9946
Am. T. & T. Ctl. Tr. 5's... 93
Amer. Grapho. 1st 6's... 99
Wash. Market 5's 1927... 95
Wash. Market 5's 1947... 95
W. M. Cold Storage 5's... 94
Sec. Sige. & Safe Dep. 6's...
N. & W. Steamboat 5's. 190
Rights Realty 5's. (short) 100

PUBLIC UTILITY STOCKS. \*Capital Traction... 79 % 80%
Wash. Ry. & Elec. com... 70
Wash. Ry & Elec. pfd. 67% 70
N. & W. Steamboat ... 180
Washington Gas ... 54% 56
Amor. Tel. & Telga... 103

TYPE MACHINE STOCKS. Mergenthaler Linotype, 125 NATIONAL BANK STOCKS. NATIONAL BANK 5705.
American Nat. Bank... 150
Commercial Nat. Bank... 150
District Nat. Bank... 148
Far. & Mech. Nat. Bank... 150
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Lincoln Nat. Bank... 170
Lincoln Nat. Bank... 180
Nat. Metropolitan Bank 200
Riggs Nat. Bank...
Nat. Bank of Wash......

Nat. Bank of Wash.... 2 2 TRUST COMPANY STOCKS. Amer. Sec. & Trust.... 220 National Sav. & Trust.. 283

Home Savings...... 420 Bank of Com. & Sav... 12 East Wash, Sav. Bank., 11 jec. Sav. & Com. Bank, 165 FIRE INSURANCE STOCKS. Arlington Fire Ins..... 8 Corcoran Fire Ins.... 80 Firemen's Fire Ins.... 19

Ger. Amer. Fire Ins.... 275 Nat. Union Fire Ins.... 6 Union Fire Ins.... 61/2 .... Real Estate Title Ins... ... MI\_\_ELLANEOUS STOCKS. Chapin lacks ...... 150 D. C. Paper Mfg. Co.... 140 Merch. Trans. & Storage. 100

TAX EXPERTS TO INSTRUCT.

Experts on the income tax are to b sent into avery county in the United States to instruct the people in how to make their returns and pay their taxes, it was announced today at th taxes, it was announced today at the Treasury Department. Millions of dollars in internal revenue which oth-erwise would escape collection will be poured into the public coffers as the result of this campaign.

#### POTATO PRICE BASIS CHANGE CONFUSING

A change in the price basis of po-tatoes has led to many complaints to the food administration of high po-tato prices.

Letters have been reseived from many sections of the country saying that potatoes are selling at \$3 and \$2.50 a bushel. Potatoes are quoted at this figure in most of the whole-sale markets. sale markets.

The figure, however, is not on the bushel basis. It is for the hundred

ministration is urging the small re tallers to follow suit.

#### ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF TREASURY NAMED

The President sent to the Senate toda the nomaination of Thomas B. Love of Dalles, Tex., to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. A new office will be created.



## **URGES RETIREMENT** AND AGE PENSIONS

Secretary of Labor Wilson renews endation for old age pensions and retirement for Government gress today.

The Secretary, who does not go into

the details of the necessity for such a course by Congress, called attention ago. He said:

"Previous recome department for an equitable system of retirement, one that will best subor retrement, one that will best mas-serve the interests of efficiency and economy and at the same time insure fair financial provision for the old age of Government employes who by long and faithful service have deserved this consideration is again recommended."

ference with war work is regarded But should it finally become necessary, he declared in favor of making

sary, he declared in favor of making such workers Government smployes rather than compelling them to work for "private profit."

"By simple and fair systems of collective bargaining between the Government, labor organizations, and business organizations," said Secretary Wilson. "all labor disputes prejudicial to an effective prosecution of the war can be promptly eliminated from war problems.

"Our greatest need is the spirit of self-sacrifice for the common good."

The Secretary noted "a sudden and enormous increase in the number of labor disputes with the beginning of the war."

Inderses Labor Unions With the coming of the war traditional cleavages between employers and wage carners were ac ated," he observed. Labor unions were emphatically indersed by Sec retary Wilson. He blamed "most inretary Wilson. He blamed "most inbor lawlessness" upon employers who
"permit organization by their workmes only on pain of dismissal."

Recommendations were renewed
for old age pensions for Government
employes and for land grants to returned soldiers. The Crosser coloniration bill pending in Congress was
urged for passage "for soldiers, as
well as wage earners in general."

#### SPOTS OPEN QUIET ON LIVERPOOL EXCHANGE

ed quiet today with prices easy calpts were 13,000 bales, of which 12,500 were American. Good mid-dings, 22.52; middlings, 22.00. Futures—Old contracts, December-January, 20.70; February-March, 20,51; April-May, 20.34; June-July, 20.18.

FINANCIAL

## GAMBLING

advertisements in the press owing to war conditions, etc., I must revise to "Safety" and am again compelled to postpone "Stock Exchange Members' Spe cial" tomorrow, Tuesday, and No. 5 and 6 to Wednesday, Thursday. Mull this: When was the bull stuff on "Motors," "Steels," etc., which crazed the people into tumbling over themselves to buy billions with their savings at from

twice to ten times what they can

be sold for today, suppressed? Has anyone heard of press sur pression of reported sales of Libertys at the criminally low 97-3 under par-which is scaring mil-lions of patriots who bought then at 100 into a blue funk? Is there valid reason why such reports should be published at all along-side the overpar prices of private stocks and bonds? Is there any reason than to scare the people out of Libertys into "privates" which the "gang" are clawing hell in an endeavor to unload before the government gets around to them?

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